

The experience of nature

Today, a lot of people experience the nature from inside a car. In the future, we may experience the nature in the high fidelity virtual reality, where we are able to smell, to feel cold, to watch and listen to the wild animals?

The car brings us to the places of nature we want to experience, and we are able to watch many of the wonders of nature from the comfort of the car. Many nature areas are even planned, so they primarily must be experienced from inside a car.

It has always annoyed me. I remember the hikes of my childhood, where we cycled out in the nature and then walked around in the harsh terrain in all kind of weather. Wet socks, mud up

to the waist, but the experiences were very life-affirming. We felt natural tiredness after such a hike, and the physical exertions had always given our little expedition a feeling of being one with the nature around us.

Nevertheless, on this dark and heavy rainy day in December it was nice to sit comfortably inside a car and look at the nature out there. A drive over the bog, where the clouds hung low and where the rain at times poured down.

Even though it was in the middle of the day, it seemed dark: Rain on the roof of the car and on the windshield, the rhythm of the windscreen wiper and the wheels that sent cascades of rain into the side of the road.



The bog Lille Vildmose, Himmerland, Denmark, December 2016